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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY: VOLUNTARY CASH CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE FORM OF INCONVERTIBLE CURRENCIES

1. CONGRESSMAN KOCH HAS WRITTEN ASSTSEC LEWIS INQUIRING WITH RESPECT TO VOLUNTARY CASH CONTRIBUTIONS TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND PROGRAMS FOR THE PERIOD 1971-76:

(A) TOTAL AMOUNTS CONTRIBUTED BY YEAR (WE REALIZE 1976 MAY HAVE TO BE AN ESTIMATE);

(B) OF THESE TOTALS, HOW MUCH IS CONVERTIBLE AND HOW MUCH IS INCONVERTIBLE CURRENCY. (LATTER TERM IS DEFINED AS FUNDS WHICH QUOTE CANNOT BE CONVERTED INTO CURRENCIES THAT CAN BE SPENT OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY MAKING THE CONTRIBUTION. UNQUOTE).

(C) HOW MUCH INCONVERTIBLE CURRENCY, DIVIDED BY TYPE OF CURRENCY, IS CURRENTLY BEING HELD BY THE ORGANIZATION?

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2. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO OBTAIN FOREGOING INFORMATION

PERTAINING TO UNEP FROM SECRETARIAT AND FORWARD ASAP. WE
CAN DERIVE REQUESTED INFO ON (A) AND (B) ABOVE FROM TABLE
II OF UNEP/GC/73/CORR.2 IF EMBASSY CAN CONFIRM WITH

SECRETARIAT THAT CONTRIBUTIONS ARE PAID IN CURRENCY OF
PLEDGE AS SHOWN IN THAT TABLE. WE UNAWARE ANY SOURCE
AVAILABLE HERE FOR INFORMATION REQUESTED IN (C) ABOVE.

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